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**Title:** FAIR AND SCALABLE TRADING SYSTEM AND METHOD

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**Amendment**

Madam:

**I. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Final Office Action of 7/9/2008, please amend the above-referenced patent application as follows: